

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
FLORENCE DIVISION

KATHLEEN ALTIER,  
Plaintiff,

v.

LOWE'S HOME CENTERS, INC.,  
Defendant.

C/A No.: 4:10-cv-01748-TER

**CONSENT ORDER FOR  
REDACTION OF  
DOCKET NOS. 70-1, 82-1, AND  
83-1**

It appearing that Defendant Lowe's Home Centers, Inc. ("Lowe's") filed a Motion to Redact or Seal Docket No. 70-1 on July 19, 2012, [Docket No. 72] and a Motion to Seal or Redact Docket Nos. 82 and 83 [Docket No. 86] on the ground that information contained in these documents is confidential, settlement communications that are not to be disclosed to anyone outside of the parties to this lawsuit; and that Plaintiff now consents to Lowe's' request to redact the settlement figures set forth in Docket Nos. 70-1, 82-1, and 83-1.

Therefore, it is Ordered that the settlement figures set forth in Docket Nos. 70-1, 82-1, and 83-1 be immediately redacted and that the documents attached to this Order be substituted for Docket Nos. 70-1, 82-1, and 83-1.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

  
Thomas E. Rogers, III  
United States Magistrate Judge

Nov. 14, 2012

Florence, South Carolina

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**WE CONSENT**

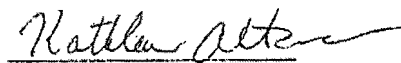
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**I CONSENT**



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October 26, 2012

June 30, 2012

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Re: Settlement Altier V. Lowes

Attorney Ulmer,

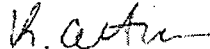
While we await the decision from the Court regarding our motions, I will attempt one more time to reach a settlement with Lowes Inc. It is my understanding that you entered into settlement negotiations with my former attorney, Mr. Gordon prior to the Pre-Conference Hearing in April. It is also my understanding that your last offer was at [REDACTED]. In my last discussion with Mr. Gordon, I had instructed him to hold at [REDACTED]. In my review of my files, when I was finally able to secure them, it seems that Mr. Gordon counter-offered you [REDACTED].

Based on this information and pending the Court's disposition of our motions, I will be willing to accept the [REDACTED] that he presented to you and your client. We can then settle this case and move on.

I would prefer to obtain your decision in writing within the next two (2) weeks, since I anticipate that we shall receive word from the Court with respect to either a date for the Motion Hearing or The Judges decision. Should he accept my motion/request, we will re-open discovery and begin the process again toward either trial or settlement.

I hope to hear your decision within the next two(2) weeks.

Respectfully submitted,



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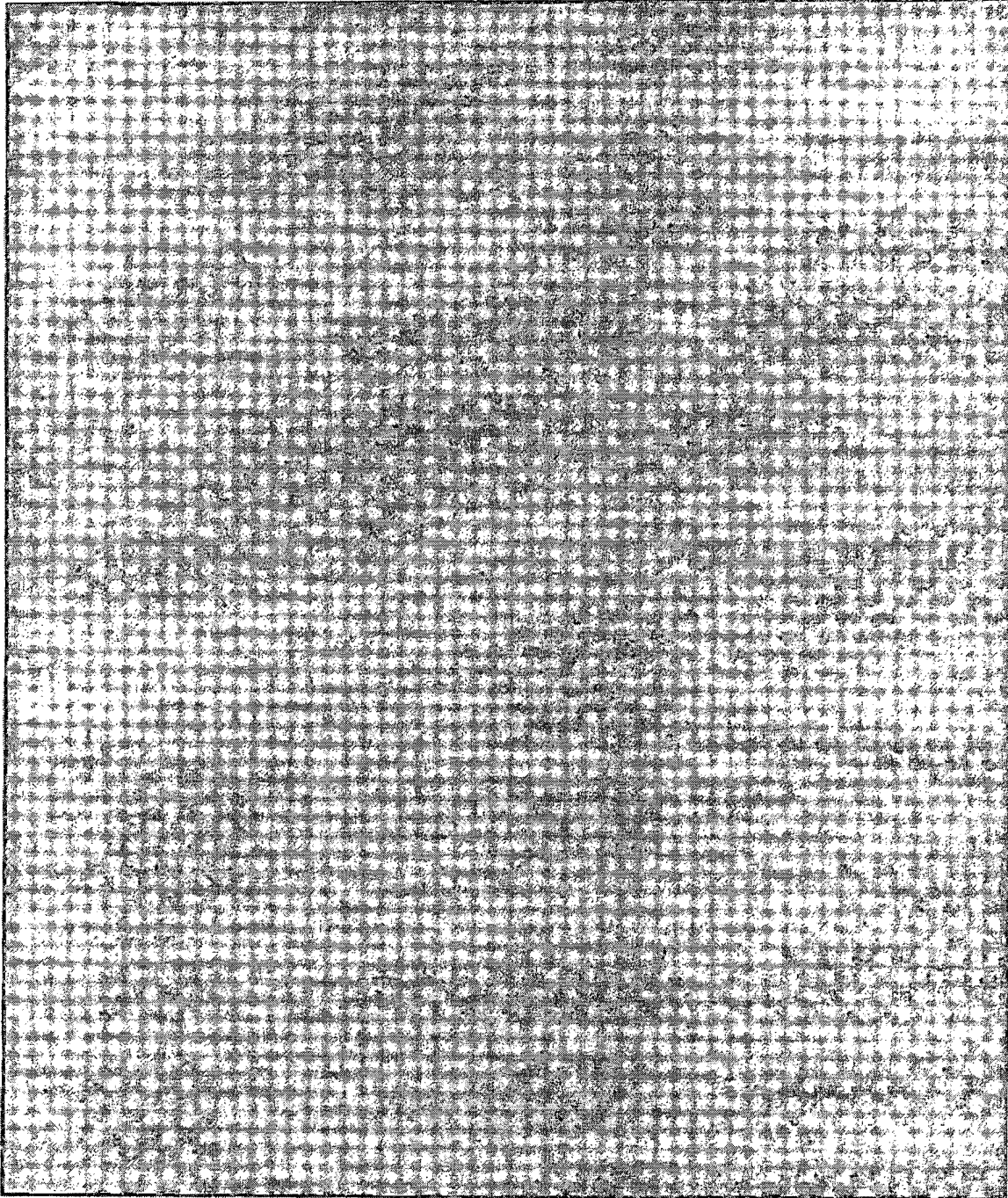


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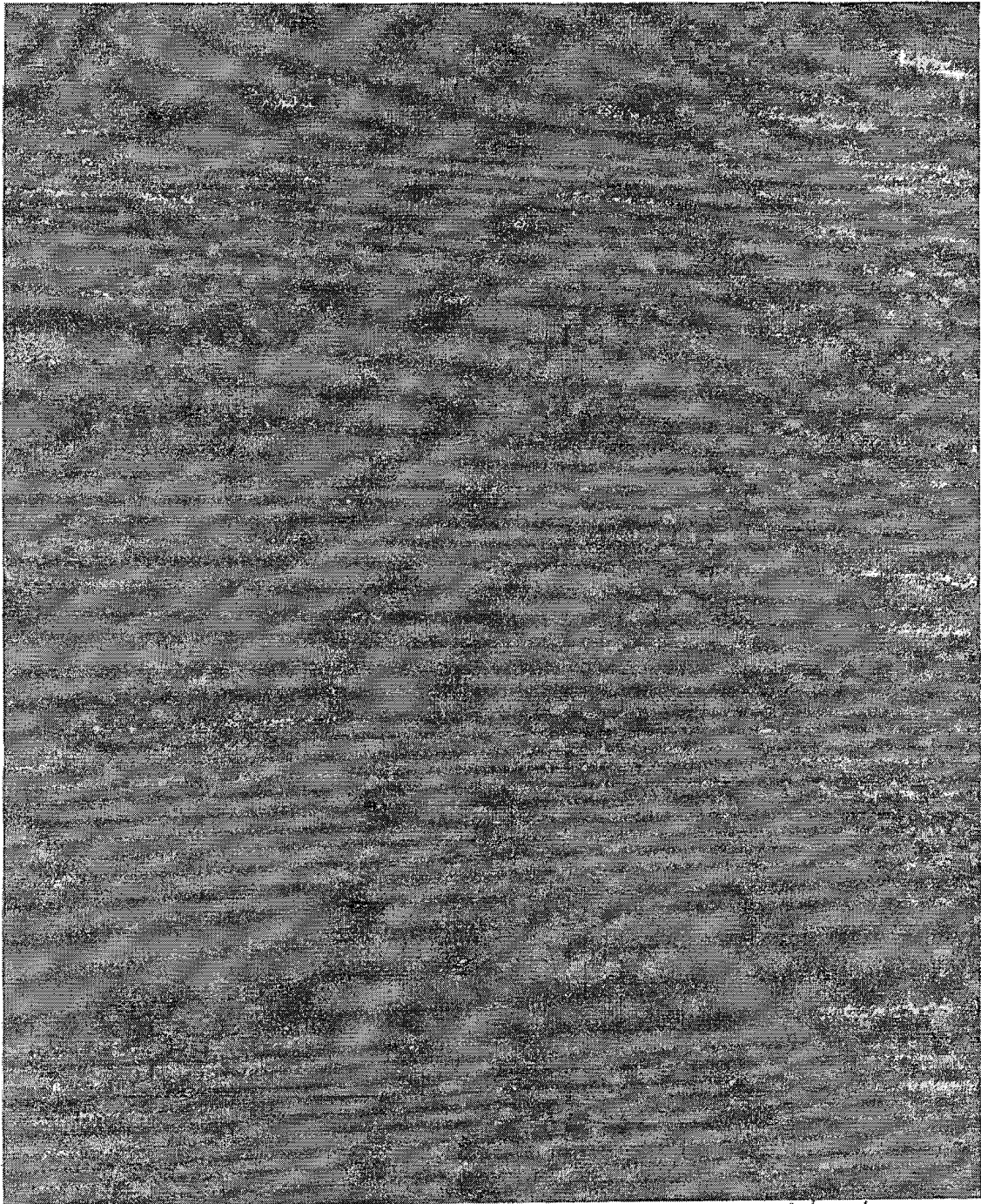
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Kathleen Altme, Inc.

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Preliminary Settlement Agreement - To be signed  
with Final Documentation



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<i>Mattler-Altieri</i>	<i>7/24/12</i>	<i>John C. Altieri</i>	<i>7/24/12</i>
Plaintiff	Date	Defendant	Date

*Mattler-Altieri 10/26/12*

July 25, 2012

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RE: Settlement Agreement  
re: lien from Medicare [REDACTED]

Attorney Ulmer,

- Pursuant to our settlement conference/agreement on July 24, 2012,

[REDACTED]

we might address your (Loves) concern with respect to their indemnity to any liens.

[REDACTED] the following actions to be taken to ensure both parties rights to mediate/appeal the lien and Loves' final settlement and payment of the case. First, section 5, of the preliminary settlement agreement stated Loves' protection from any future indemnity of claims, judgments, costs, fees and liens. In order to further assure Loves' of its final obligations in this case, I recommend the following actions;

1. Loves' makes out two (2) checks to Kathleen Attkisson, one check for the amount of the lien [REDACTED] which represents the total cost of [REDACTED] lien.
2. Loves' makes out another check for the [REDACTED] minus the [REDACTED], for a total of [REDACTED].
3. The check for the lien [REDACTED] will be placed into a interest bearing 6 month CD, with a copy of the account sent to Attorney Ulmer or Loves, pursuant to your discussion with them.
4. This will allow for Ms. Attkisson to conduct her appeal and

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negotiations with [redacted] Medicare [redacted] in order to achieve a final decision from [redacted] carrier as to the lien amount and/or reduction [redacted] will accept in order to satisfy their settlement of Mrs. Altier recovery of related medical expenses.

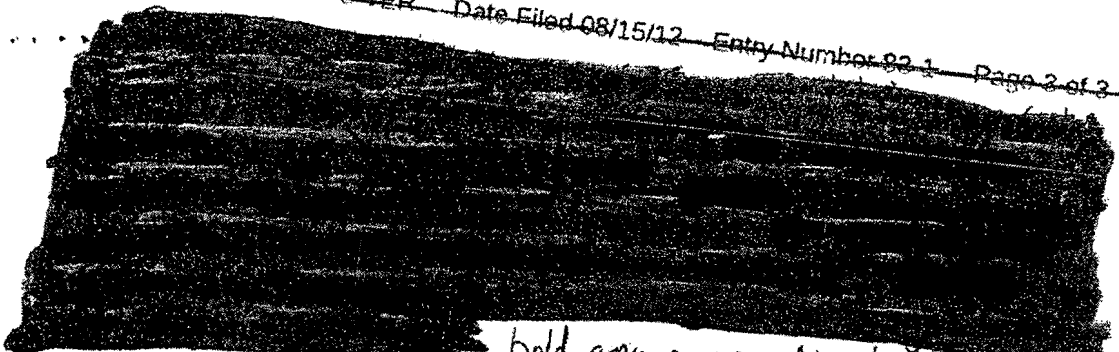
5. If within the course of 6 months, there has been no settlement with the carrier, the CO will be rolled over and another copy of the account will be sent to the Attorney and/or Lanes, whatever is decided. Should it settle prior to 6 months she will pay the money from a different acct to not break the CO interest or penalties.  
6. Once a settlement of the lien is agreed upon, Mrs. Altier will send copies of the check and correspondence to Attorney Ullrich/Lanes verifying final settlement of the lien, by which all parties will be finalized, with no need for further involvement.

[redacted] The contract section of Lanes indemnity [redacted] always been sufficient. [redacted] However, [redacted] this option to allow any missgivings of Lanes and its representatives so that we can move on toward closure / final payment to me.

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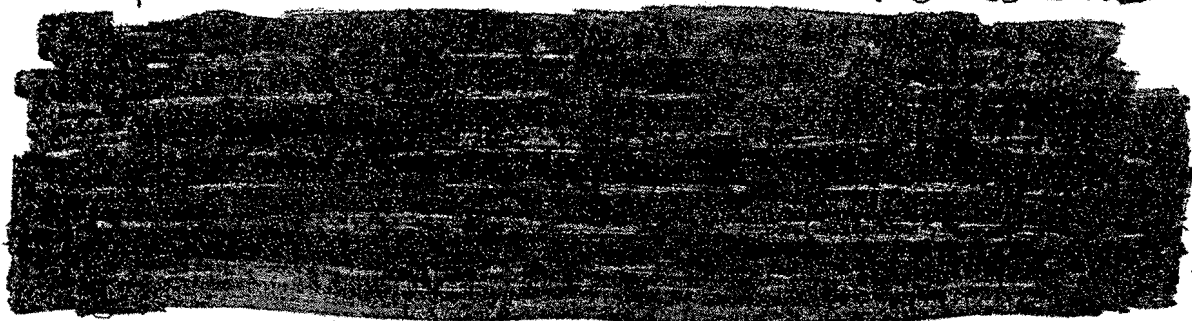
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hold any money due to the reporting issues you would then be responsible for to Medicare. By doing it this way, I am responsible for the appeal and this way all reporting responsibilities fall on me. The option was discussed on July 24, 2012 - making the check out to me with Medicare would make the check worthless since I would be unable to secure their signatures, making the check not cashable, the entire amount cannot be paid due

I would be unable to secure the money back since it is in their system - they must commit to the amount prior to payment following the appeal with a letter. Then I can send the appropriate amount in a check or money order.

The check system, although a pain in neck for me with the reporting demands is the best way to resolve the lien issue. Loves, so I will be happy to do so. Please advise me as to when the checks will be issued.



Respectfully submitted,  
Kathleen Altier

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